

COUNTRY Australia Approved For Release 2002/07/15 : CIA-RDP80-00810A001300480003-2TOPIC Zwoelfaxing AirfieldSchwechat Military PostEVALUATION 25X1X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1ADATE OF CONTENT 21 March 1953DATE OBTAINED 22 Apr 11 1953REFERENCES 25X1APAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. From 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on 21 March 1953, source observed 24 Pe-2s on Zwoelfaxing (P 49/X 48) airfield. The weather was fair but no flying was observed. The AA gun emplacement was evacuated. No activities were observed at the field. About 145 men were doing close order drill at the barracks installation. Trucks                      and                      drivers with black-bordered blue epaulets, were observed.

2. The military installation at Altkettenhof in Schwechat (P 49/X 48) was guarded by a sentry who wore red-bordered black epaulets. From 18 to 25 new Soviet trucks were seen in the garages in front of which were parked trucks                      drivers with red-bordered black epaulets. In the yard of the building six heavy AA guns and 1 data computer were parked. Instruction was given on one gun and the data computer. About 28 men were doing close order drill. Soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets were seen in front of the building opposite Altkettenhof.

                     Comment. Information transmitted by a new source on the evacuation of Zwoelfaxing airfield appears to be unfounded. See                     . The fact that only 24 Pe-2s were observed at the installation instead of 36 seen there in January does not prove that elements of the unit moved to another field. During the reported period the field was occupied by a bomber regiment.

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